THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED) : (a) This year, in Andhra Pradesh, tobacco auction sales started on 27-2-93 in three auction platforms, and on 4-3-93 in the remaining 18 auction platforms.

(b) The quantity sold as on 12-3-93 was around 2.16 M.kgs.

(c) 18,433 bales were offered for sale, as on 12-3-93. Out of this 5,733 bales were made "No Bid" since the bales did not attract reasonable prices.

(d) The average prices for different grades of tobacco as on 12-3-93 are given below :—

Plant Position Grades :

Grade	Av. Price	Grade	Av. Price
P 1L	44.99	X 4J	28.90
P 2L	43.37	X 5J	—
P 3L	37.35	L 1L	45.03
P 4L	31.43	L 2L	43.28
P 5L	28.75	L 3L	42.57
P 20	44.00	L 4L	30.81
P 2J	26.42	L 5L	—
P 3J	24.83	L 10	45.76
P 4J	26.73	L 20	45.00
X 1L	45.38	L 30	46.00
X 2L	44.17	L 40	29.00
X 3L	40.76	L 50	—
X 4L	33.12	L 1J	—
X 5L	24.87	L 2J	—
X 20	44.76	L 3J	26.50
X 30	40.49	L 4J	—
X 40	36.39	L 5J	—
X 1J	36.56	T 2L	46.00
X 2J	36.73	T 3L	36.22
X 3J	36.08		
Farm Grades :			
F 1	31.08	F 6	27.95
F 2	30.02	F 7	19.36
F 3	26.94	F 8	14.34
F 4	21.40	F 9	—
F 5	16.36	F 10	17.35

Items on Protocol agreement with Russia for Export

3321. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total quantity of different items that are on protocol agreement for export to Russia during the year 1992-93;

(b) what is the actual amount contracted;

(c) what is the actual quantity of each item shipped so far;

(d) what are the reasons for shortfall; and

(e) what steps are being taken to overcome this shortfall ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) The Trade Protocols between India and the East European countries are signed on a calender year basis. The list of items included in the Indo-Russian Trade Protocol for 1992 is annexed as statement. (*See* below). No such protocol is proposed to be drawn up for 1993;

(b) Data is not avalaible as contracting is done between the natural and juridical persons mostly in the private sector;

(c) It is not possible to disaggregate the details of shipments made under the Protocol and outside the Protocol;

(d) and (e) In view of (b) and (c) above, does not arise.

STATEMENT

Goods for Export from India to the Russian Federation During 1992

S. No.	Commodity	Unit	Quantity/ Amount
1.	Tea	Thousands tonnes	60
2.	Coffee	—do—	20
3.	Pepper black	—do—	9
4.	Other spices	Million dollars	1
5.	Soyabeen extractions	Thousand tonnes	200
6	HPS Groundnuts	—do—	7
7.	Tobacco	—do—	25
8.	Wire enamel/'laciterebac'	—do—	7
9.	Processed & Packaged Fruit Products	Million dollars	9
10.	Caster Oil	Thousand tonnes	9
11.	Raw materials for production of Medicines including raw opium	Million dollars	30
12.	Medicines	—do—	100
13.	Veterinary preparation	—do—	10
14.	Shoe upper	—do—	66
15.	Finished leather	—do—	17
16.	Cigarettes	Billion pieces	3
17.	Dye-stuffs	Million Dollars	17
18.	Lemon Chrome	Thousand tonnes	1.3
19.	Paints & enamels	Mllion dollars	8
20.	Footwear materials	—do—	11
21.	Soles thermo-elasto-plastic and poly-urethene	Million dollars	5
22.	Linoleum	—do—	17
23.	Plastics for decoration	—do—	8
24.	Printed cotton cloth and other cotton piece goods blended and woollen fabrics	—do—	9
25.	Jute bags	—do—	5
26.	Freight containers	—do—	5
27.	Cosmetics	—do—	5
28.	Detergents including soap	—do—	5
29.	Readymade garments	—do—	10
30.	Books Periodicals, Stamps, Gramophone records, Audio and Video casettes	—do—	1
	Total	—do—	750
	Amount available for direct exports by Russian Enterprises, All items permissible for export under Indian laws and regulations may be imported by Russian Enterprises from these funds.	—do—	350